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----- In-re Application of: ----- )  
Katsuji Suzuki )  
Serial No. To Be Assigned )  
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For: Frame Synchronizing Signal Detecting )  
Method for Reducing Occurrence of Error )  
Synchronization Before Link of Frame )  
Synchronizing Signal is Established )

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Hei 5-207003 discloses a construction wherein a frame synchronizing signal is detected.

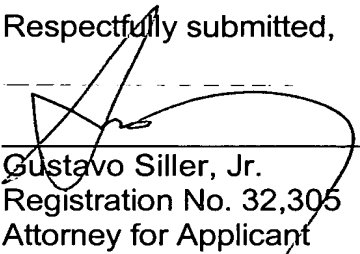
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

Respectfully submitted,



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REFERENCE DESIGNATION			U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS			
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	4,356,566	10/1982	Wada et al.		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES	NO
	A2	Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Hei 5-207003	08/1993	Japan		X (Partial)	

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